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VIA EMAIL ONLY

Michelle Mullin
Region 10
Alaska, Idaho, Oregon, Washington
Environmental Protection Agency
MULLIN.MICHELLE@EPA.GOV

**RE: Freedom of Information Act Request
Old Monroe Middle School / Sky Valley Education Center**

Dear Ms. Mullin and the Environmental Protection Agency, Region 10:

We write to make a Freedom of Information Act request. This request is formatted consistent with the online website foiaonline.regulations.gov/foia/, which unfortunately is not functioning properly. Despite repeated attempts, the website will not allow us to submit a request online. We know that you have been involved in the Sky Valley Education Center review issues, which involve serious public health concerns for those people who are affected. Can you please accept this FOIA request, or forward it to the correct FOIA officer for EPA Region 10 who can handle the request? Your help is much appreciated.

This FOIA request is for ELECTRONIC COPIES of

- all emails, letters, or other communications;
- all notes whether in paper or electronic form;
- all records, test results, reports, or studies;
- all photographs; and
- all other documents

related to Sky Valley Education Center, also known as the old Monroe Middle School buildings, in Monroe, Washington, that are in the paper files and/or electronic servers of the Environmental Protection Agency or its officers.

This FOIA request for all related documents is made on behalf of Sky Valley Education Center children, parents, teachers, maintenance workers, and community members. As you may know, the request concerns the activities of state and local governments over which the federal EPA has had some engagement



regarding contamination and environmental poisoning at the Sky Valley Education Center buildings in Monroe. Disclosure of this information is likely to contribute to a more accurate understanding of those issues, which do involve serious public health concerns. Potentially hundreds of people have been affected. The public health and safety issues involved are significant. Understanding how the contamination and environmental poisoning of school children and adults occurred can help to prevent environmental poisoning in the future. For this reason, on behalf of Sky Valley community members, we request the fee waiver.

This FOIA request for electronic copies of documents is time sensitive for medical and legal reasons. Sky Valley community members continue in medical treatment due to exposure to contaminants at the old Monroe Middle School buildings. In addition, community members and their attorneys and experts are engaged in time-sensitive research and review of the actions or inactions of potentially at-fault parties. To the extent this FOIA request may be expedited so that we can understand a more complete and accurate picture of what happened at Sky Valley Education Center, it would be appreciated. For this reason, we request the expedited processing.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Please contact me with any questions. I can be reached at the contact information shown in the letterhead, or on my cell: (206) 919-1803.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sean J. Gamble'.

Sean J. Gamble